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REMARKS

Claim 20 is pending in this application, claim 20 being independent. Claims 1-19 have been canceled. Claim 20 has been added.

By this Amendment, Applicants are replacing the specification with a Substitute Specification. It is respectfully submitted that the substitute specification contains no new matter.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited. An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Drawings

The left margin on Fig. 26 has been corrected to conform to USPTO drawing requirements.

Conclusion


Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Catherine M. Voisinet (Reg. No. 52,327) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachment(s): Clean and Red-line versions of Substitute
Specification;
One (1) sheet of corrected formal drawings